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ABSTRACT

Data were collected in fall 1983 to provide a profile of the student population of the Peralta Community College District (PCCD). The data revealed: (1) total student enrollment declined by 12% from fall 1982 (N=38,976) to fall 1983 (N=34,183); (2) 57% of the students whose sex was identified were women; (3) minorities constituted 58% of the district's student body, with the largest percentages accounted for by Black (31%) and Asian (12%) students; (4) 78% of the PCCD population attended part-time; (5) the average student age at the various campuses ranged from a high of 46 years at Vista College to a low of 29 years at College of Alameda, with the average age in the district being 34 years; (6) 52% of the PCCD's students were freshmen; (7) 17% of the students had at least a bachelor's degree and 5% had an associate degree; (8) the average number of units taken per student was 5.6, and the average number of contact hours per student was 8.3; and (9) 26% of the PCCD's students indicated that their educational objective was an associate in arts or an associate in science degree, and another 20% were preparing to transfer to a four-year college or university. The bulk of the report consists of tables providing data for the district as a whole and for each of its five campuses. (LAL)

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PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
Office of Research, Planning and Development

PERALTA FACTS: FALL 1983

This fact sheet has been prepared for the purpose of reporting the vital statistics of the student population within the Peralta Colleges. The data were collected at Census Week 1.

HIGHLIGHTS

** Total student enrollment declined by 12% from Fall 1982 to Fall 1983 (from 38,976 in Fall 1982 to 34,183 in Fall 1983).

** Fifty-seven percent of the students whose sex was identified were women.

** Minorities constitute 58% of Peralta's student body.

** Seventy-eight percent of the student population is identified as part-time.

** The average age of the students at the various campuses ranges from a high of 46 at Vista to a low of 29 at College of Alameda. The average age of the District's students is 34.

** Fifty-two percent of the District's students are freshmen (00-29 units, 00-49 units for Alameda).

**Seventeen percent of the District's students already have at least a B.A. or B.S. degree, and 5% of the District's students have an A.A. or A.S. degree.

** The average number of units per student district-wide is 5.6. The average number of contact hours per student district-wide is 8.3.

** Twenty-six percent of the District's students indicated that their educational objective is an A.A. or A.S. degree. Another 20% are preparing to transfer to a four-year college or university.

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TABLE 1
DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENTS BY SEX
FALL 1983

SEX	COA		LANEY		MERRITT		VISTA		FRC		DISTRICT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Male	2,638	44	5,700	48	3,337	42	1,691	23	426	39	13,792	40
Female	3,246	54	5,798	50	4,464	56	4,105	55	670	61	18,283	53
Unidentified	105	2	178	2	168	2	1,655	22	2	0	2,108	6
Total	5,989	100	11,676	100	7,969	100	7,451	100	1,098	100	34,183	100

TABLE 2
DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENTS BY ETHNICITY
FALL 1983

ETHNICITY	COA		LANEY		MERRITT		VISTA		FRC		DISTRICT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Native Amer.	54	1	115	1	110	1	45	1	31	3	355	1
Black	2,244	37	4,703	40	2,781	35	938	13	27	2	10,693	31
Hispanic	422	7	652	6	344	4	304	4	26	2	1,748	5
Asian	719	12	2,038	17	801	10	370	5	8	1	3,936	12
Caucasian	1,813	30	2,953	25	3,130	39	2,698	36	909	83	11,503	34
Other	318	5	471	4	425	5	1,041	14	54	5	2,309	7
Filipino	256	4	299	3	105	1	74	1	4	0	738	2
Unidentified	163	3	445	4	273	3	1,981	27	39	4	2,901	8
Totals	5,989	100	11,676	100	7,969	100	7,451	100	1,098	100	34,183	100

TABLE 3
ENROLLMENT STATUS OF STUDENTS IN GRADED CLASSES ONLY
FALL 1983

STATUS	COA		LANEY		MERRITT		VISTA		FRC		DISTRICT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Full-Time	1,802	30	2,914	25	2,059	26	159	2	242	22	7,176	22
Part-Time	4,187	70	8,762	75	5,835	74	6,526	98	856	78	26,166	78
Total	5,989	100	11,676	100	7,894	100	6,685	100	1,098	100	33,342	100

TABLE 4
DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENT POPULATION BY AGE
FALL 1983

AGE	COA		LANEY		MERRITT		VISTA		FRC		DISTRICT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Under 17	31	1	76	1	35	0	128	2	35	3	305	1
17-20	1,537	26	1,921	16	1,849	23	272	4	225	20	5,804	17
21-24	1,246	21	2,186	19	1,397	18	561	8	104	9	5,494	16
25-29	1,012	17	2,661	23	1,323	17	988	13	133	12	6,117	18
30-34	733	12	1,966	17	1,124	14	1,006	14	163	15	4,992	15
35-54	1,026	17	2,271	19	1,625	20	1,960	26	293	27	7,175	21
55-64	233	4	307	3	347	4	580	8	50	5	1,507	4
65-up	181	3	288	2	269	3	1,956	26	95	9	2,789	8
Totals	5,989	100	11,676	100	7,969	100	7,451	100	1,098	100	34,183	100
Average Age	29		30		31		46		35		34	

TABLE 5
STUDENT REGISTRATION STATUS FOR GRADED CLASSES ONLY
FALL 1983

STATUS	COA		LANEY		MERRITT		VISTA		FRC		DISTRICT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
New	1,614	27	3,117	27	2,083	26	2,449	37	235	21	9,498	28
New Transfers	531	9	729	6	633	8	396	6	109	10	2,398	7
Continuing	2,660	44	5,400	46	3,510	44	2,602	39	513	47	14,685	44
Returning	1,098	18	2,297	20	1,575	20	1,159	17	220	20	6,349	19
Returning Transfer	86	1	133	1	93	1	79	1	21	2	412	1
Not Identified	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	5,989	100	11,676	100	7,894	100	6,685	100	1,098	100	33,342	100

TABLE 6
AVERAGE CONTACT HOURS PER STUDENT
FALL 1983

	COA	LANEY	MERRITT	VISTA	FRC	TOTAL
Day	11.7	12.3	10.5	3.4	10.2	10.0
Extended Day	6.0	5.3	4.7	3.1	3.9	4.7
Total	10.1	10.2	8.9	3.3	8.3	8.3

TABLE 7
STUDENT CLASS STATUS
GRADED CLASSES ONLY
FALL 1983

	COA		LANEY		MERRITT		VISTA		FRC		DISTRICT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Freshman 00-29 Units	3,481	58	6,316	54	4,042	51	2,962	44	671	61	17,412	52
Sophomore 30-59 Units	1,078	18	1,911	16	1,365	17	370	6	121	11	4,845	15
More than 59 Units	381	6	817	7	574	7	311	5	66	6	2,149	6
AA/AS Degree	314	5	581	5	386	5	258	4	69	6	1,608	5
BA Degree or Higher	662	11	1,747	15	1,395	18	1,600	24	145	13	5,549	17
Not Identified	73	1	304	3	132	2	1,184	18	26	2	1,719	5
Total Graded	5,989	100	11,676	100	7,894	100	6,685	100	1,098	100	33,342	100

TABLE 8
AVERAGE NUMBER OF UNITS PER STUDENT
FALL 1983

	COA	LANEY	MERRITT	VISTA	FRC	DISTRICT
Day	8.2	7.6	7.3	2.1	6.3	6.5
Extended Day	4.6	3.8	3.9	2.5	2.0	3.5
Total	7.1	6.4	6.3	2.3	5.0	5.6

TABLE 9
DEGREE OBJECTIVES
FALL 1983

	COA		LANEY		MERRITT		VISTA		FRC		DISTRICT	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
University of California	558	9	925	8	787	10	195	3	30	3	2,495	7
State College /University	820	14	1,137	10	910	11	162	2	102	9	3,131	9
Other Four Year College	326	5	578	5	371	5	103	1	55	5	1,433	4
None of the Above	2,391	40	5,146	44	3,075	39	4,263	57	682	62	15,557	46
Associate Degree	1,149	19	2,154	18	1,557	20	346	5	142	13	5,348	16
Certificate	598	10	1,287	11	990	12	492	7	50	5	3,417	10
Unknown Objective	147	2	449	4	279	4	1,890	25	37	3	2,8 2	8
Total	5,989	100	11,676	100	7,969	100	7,451	100	1,098	100	34,183	100

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